

## Penn State's Course Management System, ANGEL

Penn State's Course Management System, ANGEL, at <http://cms.psu.edu/>, allows instructors to create or upload a wide variety of course materials in a single online location without the need to know HTML.

Internal course e-mail, discussion forums, announcements, and a course calendar with milestone reminders make it easy to share ideas and information within a class. Students can upload assignments electronically to drop boxes and instructors can provide timely feedback to submissions.

Various tools and reports allow instructors to track student participation and progress. ANGEL class rosters are tied in to Penn State's Registrar database, ISIS, and drops and adds are automatically updated.

Using the powerful course gradebook, instructors can choose to grade by points or percentage, apply weights and formulas, display a running course grade to students, include assignments external to ANGEL, include extra credit assignments, and import final course grades into eLion.

ANGEL is designed in such a way that an instructor may use as few or as many ANGEL features as desired.

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## Benefits of ANGEL

- Post course materials and a syllabus online.
- Facilitate effective course communication.
- Easily gauge student progress.
- Receive automatic roster updates.
- Collect assignments electronically.
- Extend learning beyond the classroom.

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## ANGEL Listserv

To subscribe to the ANGEL listserv to receive the latest news about ANGEL updates, enhancements, events, and outings, send an e-mail to:

***L-Angel-Notification-subscribe-request@lists.psu.edu***

No subject or message text is required.



## ANGEL Community Hub

The ANGEL Community Hub, at <http://ets.tlt.psu.edu/angel/>, provides a place to share ideas, discuss views, and help fellow community members work out solutions and best practices related to ANGEL. It is an open environment that welcomes divergent perspectives. Podcasts and vodcasts discussing ANGEL features are also available at the site, as well as useful links to more information.

Anyone visiting the site can read existing posts on the ANGEL Community Hub blog. In order to post a new topic or comment on an existing topic, you must select the "**Login/Register**" link on the right side of the page, then enter your Penn State Access Account userid and password on the WebAccess form.

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## For more information

To learn more about ANGEL, visit the ANGEL Community Hub: <http://ets.tlt.psu.edu/angel/>